

riots in the city of Baltimore, and invite their attendance,

And, thereupon Messrs. Merrick and Hambleton, were appointed the deputation, pursuant to this order, who having repaired to the senate chamber, returned and reported, that they had performed the service required of them,

The President, and the other members of the Senate, were then received and conducted to the seats provided for their accommodation, within the bar of the house.

Mr. Merrick moved to take up the report of, and testimony taken before the joint committee of the Senate and House of Delegates, to which was referred the memorials of John B. Morris, Reverdy Johnson, and others, praying indemnity for losses sustained by reason of the riots in Baltimore, in the month of August, 1835,

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McLean presented a communication from John Nelson and Albert Constable, Esqrs. counsel on behalf of the city authorities of Baltimore,

Which was read, and is as follows;

To the Honorable

The House of Delegates of Maryland.

The undersigned respectfully represent, That they have repaired to the Seat of Government under the instructions of the City Authorities of Baltimore, as the counsel of said city, for the purpose of resisting the passage of a bill reported by your honorable body by a select committee, to whom had been referred the memorials of John B. Morris, Reverdy Johnson and others, asking indemnity for the losses sustained by them in consequence of the riots of the 8th, 9th and 10th of August last.

That as soon as the City Councils of Baltimore were advertised of the tenor and provisions of the bill reported by your committee, they communicated to your honorable body their belief that, "to place the matter fully and fairly before the Legislature" additional and explanatory testimony, which they had it in their power to offer, should be adduced, and with that view respectfully asked that the bill before referred to, with the report accompanying it, might be recommit-
ted, and such testimony received as might serve to elucidate the delicate and important subject to which it relates. That in pursuance of this request, your honorable body did, by an order of the 7th inst. grant permission for the adduction of further testimony on or before this day, and directed that counsel should then be heard for and against the bill. That the City Councils of Baltimore were not apprised of